

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A composition comprising:
a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or a food or drink, and
at least 5% of at least one isolated yeast belonging to *Kluyveromyces marxianus* or *Kluyveromyces lactis*,

wherein said composition contains an amount of said at least one yeast sufficient to reduce cholesterol when administered to a subject in need thereof.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The composition of Claim 1 which contains an amount of isolated *Kluyveromyces marxianus* sufficient to reduce cholesterol when administered to a subject in need thereof.

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The composition of Claim 1, which is a food or drink.

Claims 4-19 (Cancelled)

Claim 20 (Previously Presented): The composition of Claim 1, which is a food or drink comprising *Kluyveromyces marxianus* and *Kluyveromyces lactis*.

Claim 21 (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 1, wherein said composition is a food or drink comprising an amount of *Kluyveromyces marxianus* or *Kluyveromyces lactis* sufficient to reduce cholesterol in a subject ingesting said food or drink.

Claim 22 (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 21, which comprises *Kluyveromyces marxianus*.

Claim 23 (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 21, which comprises *Kluyveromyces lactis*.

Claim 24 (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 21, wherein said *Kluyveromyces marxianus* or *Kluyveromyces lactis* are live cells.

Claim 25 (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 21, wherein said *Kluyveromyces marxianus* or *Kluyveromyces lactis* are heated cells.

Claim 26 (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 21, wherein said *Kluyveromyces marxianus* or *Kluyveromyces lactis* are in the form of a lyophilized product.

Claim 27 (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 21, wherein said *Kluyveromyces marxianus* or *Kluyveromyces lactis* are in the form of a milled product.

Claims 28-32 (Cancelled)